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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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CHINESE MISSION TO EUROPE.

LONDON, January 29.
The Hon. Mr. S. T. Sze, brother of the Chinese Minister in London, arrived in Liverpool aboard the "Empress of France". He is in charge of a Chinese government mission to visit the devastated areas of France and to study the commercial conditions and methods of Britain and the continent.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S PLEA.

WASHINGTON, January 28.

President Wilson has asked Mr. Glass, the secretary of the Treasury, to make another appeal to Congress to authorise a loan of \$150,000,000 for the relief of Poland, Austria and Armenia. He declares it is unthinkable that the United States should withhold from people in such physical and mental distress assistance which could be rendered by making available on credit a small portion of our exportable surplus food."

AIRMAN POULET.

MARSEILLE, January 28.

Airman Poulet, who abandoned the Paris-Melbourne flight when he reached Bangkok has arrived here on board a steamer en route for home.

CAPTURED BY BOLSHEVICS.

NEW YORK, January 28.

A telegram to the Paris edition of the "Chicago Tribune" says the Bolsheviks in Siberia have captured eight American army engineers and several American Red Cross men.

AMERICAN REFORMS SUGGESTED.

WASHINGTON, January 29.

In a report to the Senate Mr. Lansing opines that the state department, especially the portion devoted to trade problems, must be completely reorganised. He urges the establishment of unity of command as regards foreign trade. Diplomatic and consular services should be brought closer together and given an interchangeable character; also he advocated the promotion of consul-general and diplomatic secretaries to the grade of minister so that the services of trained men may be obtained.

CHINESE IN FRANCE.

LONDON, January 29.

The Chinese in France are being rapidly repatriated from Havre via Canada. Only about 5,000 still remain, awaiting transports. A British officer attached to the Chinese corps for the last three years says their conduct has been praiseworthy. They have done the most useful work. He is glad to think they are returning with a round sum of accumulated wages. For instance, one company alone takes 160,000 francs.

SHANGHAI MAN'S WILL.

LONDON, January 29.

The late Mr. H. R. Kinnear, formerly of Shanghai, left property valued at £59,652. He bequeathed his books and pamphlets on China to the university of Cambridge.

LABOUR UNREST IN INDIA.

BOMBAY, January 29.

The cotton millowners announce the terms they are prepared to grant employees. These include the reduction of the working day from twelve to ten hours, increased allowances varying from twenty to forty per cent, compensation for disablement but not including payment for the period of the strike. It is confidently anticipated that the strikers will accept these terms which are attributed largely to the mediation of the Governor.

Five thousand employees at the royal Indian marine dockyard struck, demanding increased wages and a bonus.

D'ANNUNZIO'S LIMELIGHT.

ROMA, January 28.

D'Annunzio telegraphed Colonel Berliri, the Director-General of Aeronautics, notifying him that it is impossible for him to participate in the Rome-Tokyo flight owing to the non-solution of the Fiume question, but he chose Captain Gartinetto, now at Flume, to take his place. Gartinetto was one of the aviators who flew with D'Annunzio over Vienna during the war. He is coming from Flume with Lieutenant Tranzarolo, who will also participate in the flight. Other pilots will be Lieutenants Bylisco, Angiolotto, and Ferrarini. The departure of five aeroplanes completing the flight will be delayed to the last moment advisable before the monsoon breaks, always in the hope that D'Annunzio will still join.

The Milan correspondent of *The Times* says D'Annunzio has definitely renounced participation in the aerial flight to Tokyo, stating that he is indispensable at Flume at present.

BOXING RULES.

The report of a meeting held in London last December to consider a new set of ring regulations to supersede the Marquis of Queensbury rules has been published. It is interesting to note several new points which they will involve, if adopted. In the first place bouts will be judged by two judges and a referee. In contests, as distinct from competitions, the decision has always rested solely with the referee, but the new rules would limit his authority to a considerable degree. Under the new proposals the referee shall cast a vote, but must agree with one or other of the judges or call the bout a draw." There are some interesting proposals with regard to a man being down. It is proposed that a boxer shall be considered "down" when hanging helpless on the ropes. This is adopted from the Navy and Army Rules, which also state that the question of whether a man is down or not within the meaning of the rule is to be entirely in the judgment of the referee. The adoption of this new code would be beneficial in at least one direction, as it is clearly laid down that "the scorer of a knockout must retire to the far corner of the ring after such knockout and if he does not, the count over

his fallen opponent shall cease until he take his proper position in such corner." The latter part is certainly a very far-reaching proposal which should effectively prevent that not too lovely spectacle of a boxer standing threateningly over his fallen rival and attacking him almost before he can put his hands up. The referee will also count out a boxer who drops to the floor without being hit. The practice of the referee counting is adopted by Mr. Eugene Corri among other well known officials, who stands by the boxer and calls out the count as it proceeds. Another interesting proposal is that the floor of the ring shall be covered with some soft material. This is embodied in the Imperial Services rules but not in others. Weights under the new standards are practically the same. The light heavyweight class is dropped and at 176 lbs. a man is declared a heavy weight. How far these new proposals will affect Hongkong boxing depends on the course taken by the National Sporting Club. The contests here are fought under N.S.C. rules which are the standard for the British Empire, although in America the Queensbury rules are in vogue. If the new rules are adopted by the N.S.C. they will also be made applicable here and there seem to be some points worthy of more than passing consideration.

FOOTBALL.

UNITED SERVICE LEAGUE

"CARLISLE", 2; "TAMAR", 1.

The match in connection with the United Services League, was played on the Navy ground at Happy Valley last evening, commencing at 4.15 p.m.

Both sides fielded strong teams and play was very interesting and even for the first fifteen minutes, during which time, both goals were subjected to very trying times, but the respective goals survived the ordeal. Then, during a *melee* in front of "Tamar's" goal, "Carlisle" assumed the lead. They did not keep the lead long, however, for soon "Tamar" began to swarm enemy territory and Graydon equalized from a beautiful pass from Taliana. At half time, the scores were one all.

In the second half, play became very exciting, and spurred by the frantic yell of their supporters on the touch lines, the players exhibited great dash and pace. The "Carlisle" scored their second goal early in this half, and despite the fact that "Tamar" made strenuous efforts to equalize, they succeeded in keeping their citadel intact for the rest of the match, kicking and tackling with keen determination, whenever danger threatened. Taliana had very hard lines when he was given a good opportunity of equalizing for the "Tamar" but in his haste, did not take accurate aim, and the ball went over the cross-bar. "Tamar" also defended well for the rest of the match, and Amy came out in great relief as a back. The way he headed and kicked, at the same time falling back on his citadel, was a treat to watch. At the final whistle, "Carlisle" emerged the deserving victors by two goals to one.

The league table which includes yesterday's match, is appended.

CLUBS. P. W. L. D. Y. A. P.

H.M.S. "Carlisle" 7 5 0 1 29 3 13

H.M.S. "Tamar" 4 1 1 1 29 3 12

H.M.S. "Amrose" A 4 2 0 2 5 2 0

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H.M.S. "Marazion" entered the league in place of the R.G.A.

KINEMA NOTES.

HONGKONG THEATRE

Our expectations for a motion picture to be full of interesting items have been realized by the latest shows exhibited during last week. Now a superb film, by the title itself, which will be screened from this afternoon and to-night, will prove the magnificence of the picture as well as the cast of its play, in which the two foremost actors George Fawcett and Myrtle Stedman will appear in the splendid drama "The Majesty of the Law" in five long reels. This picture reveals the high intelligence of the author who took the keen interest of showing what a Law is, consequently it will be a hint to our local legislators. Members of Legislative Council should avail of this opportunity to appreciate this special and modern film. *The Majesty of the Law*, what a significant title! This show will run on till Friday night, nobody should miss it. For other inter-scene pictures see the advertisement and the programme for the week.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Scrutator—Your praise gratifies us, although we have had a great deal lately. Buy the paper regularly, and tell your friends.

P. A.—Don't see what we can do for you. If the Gilpin ponies have gone to Shanghai, after you were "lucky" enough to draw them, you'd better ascertain the exchange, hadn't you?

Ben.—The poem may survive, when the editor regains consciousness.

Keith West.—Sorry, old bean. The market for "Vignettes" has collapsed.

COMMERCIAL DULPLICITY.—We quite believe your allegations. That is why riches know. But if we printed what you said, our poverty would grow. Sell the shares and have nothing more to do with companies in which he is interested.

Interested.—We believe the coal syndicate signed up on Jan. 24; but you'll hear more about it later on, if you watch the *China Mail*.

Polydor—You never met or seen a gentleman more independent and free from the yoke of human respect? That is not so flattering as you meant it to be. However, cherie.

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It is not generally known, says the *Englishman*, that Calcutta before the war was the greatest centre in the world for the trade in wild animals. There were several collectors, with stocks in Entally and elsewhere in the suburbs, who had agents not only in various parts of India to trap and buy animals but throughout the Far East and everywhere in Africa. So complete was the system directed from Calcutta that people like Hagenbeck, Jamrach and Bostock preferred to send their buyers to Calcutta to deal with the Calcutta merchants than to hunt for their animals themselves in the wild corners of the globe.

The reason why Calcutta became a centre was because to begin with India were to be found at moderate prices the three classes of animals which were most in demand, tigers, elephants, and monkeys. Then one or two of the Calcutta dealers began to send their own trappers to Africa and Straits, and Java and Sumatra, and discovered to their delight that the Indians they employed were better experts than the natives of any other country in catching wild animals and subduing them. Even in the case of animals that were new and strange it was found that Shil and Southali-trappers knew more about their habits than the natives living amongst them.

The natural result was that buyers from Europe and America found it cheaper and better to come straight to Calcutta for their animals and birds than to wander over half the world. They found here not only all the Indian birds and beasts, but all the African and Far Eastern ones too.

The war, however, dealt the trade a severe blow. The German and Austrian buyers, of course, no longer came to India, and owing to the fact that the kind of shipping required was no longer available, there were no purchasers from the Allied countries. However, there is always a fair demand in India itself for Indian animals; owing to the number of wealthy Indians who keep zoos and menageries, and the Calcutta dealers having tired over the war are now looking forward to a brisk trade.

There has recently been formed at home a concern known as the World's Zoological Trading Company which is designed to secure into British hands the retail trade in birds and beasts which was once almost entirely German. This company intends to employ its own trappers and agents in Africa and elsewhere and has engaged a number of demobilised officers and men who have been sent to the Congo and other parts of the world. Their Calcutta dealers assert that the Company must sooner or later make the

SOLDIER'S WILL ON A
PHOTOGRAPH.I LEAVE ALL TO HER.—
FRANK R. KIRKLEY.

What is probably the shortest will on record has just been proved. It is that of Lieut. Frank Robson Kirkley, of Sunderland, who died on active service in Italy.

The will is made on the back of a vignette photograph, autographed "Muriel" and measuring 2½in. by 3½in. On the back is written in indelible pencil:

I leave all to her:
Frank R. Kirkley.
13th July, 1917.

This will, being that of a soldier on active service, has been held to be valid, but affidavits were required from members of Lieut. Kirkley's family to identify the lady referred to, and eventually probate was granted to the original of the photograph, Miss Annie Muriel Kyre Smith, of Durrington Camp, Salisbury Plain, who returns the value of the property at £320.

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DEATHS.
LUI.—At his residence, Kowloon City Road, Kowloon, on the morning of February 4, 1920, Lui Shau Man, aged 38. Funeral will leave his residence at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

GOGIN.—At the Victoria Hospital, Barker Road, on the 4th inst., Margaret Elizabeth, only daughter of the late Captain F. W. Goggin and Mrs. Goggin, of Hongkong and Limerick.

The China Mail.
"Truth, Justice, Public Service."
HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, FEB. 4, 1920.

COMPULSORY WIRELESS.

It is surely not ill-natured, nor unfair, and not contrary to observable facts, to say that there are shipowners who will not freely spend money on the equipment of the vessels they own unless they are influenced by one of two inducements. They will be more lavish if they can see a reasonable prospect of a remunerative return on their investment. They will be generous if they are compelled to be. They will not, as a rule, lay out large sums merely to ensure the safety of those who work for them. These observations are penned in view of the number of steamers entering and clearing from this port which are as yet, at this late period in the development of the contrivance, not fitted with wireless telegraphy. They ought to be. We are of opinion that the local Government has power to insist upon it, and that it would not be abusing its power, would not be doing anything in restraint of the trade which it must naturally look benevolently upon were it to make a law that all shipping over a certain tonnage must have wireless. There is one other way in which something like compulsion could be brought to bear, but that would require a coming together of the marine insurance underwriters. If they would refuse to insure (except at big risk rates) all steamers lacking wireless, we should soon see fewer ships sailing without it. Take the recent case of the unfortunate steamer "Pamro." She left Saigon, says *Shipping and Engineering*, without notice of the typhoon which must have caused her disappearance. When she left the warnings had not been given out. She went out in ignorance, met the typhoon when it was too late to seek shelter, and probably perished with all hands on the Parcels. Had the "Pamro" had wireless, she could have been warned in time to turn back. The "Pheumphem,"

which had no wireless, was saved more or less by luck. Both Great Britain and America insist on wireless for all ships over a certain tonnage, especially when they carry passengers. Hongkong should surely be in line with them. As for passengers, are not the lives of officers and crew just as valuable to the community? Why, to cheapen the enterprise of wealthy ship-owners, whose risk is usually covered by insurance, should the lives of these men—the real backbone of British commerce—be imperilled? For the terrible typhoons which ravage our coasts make the danger much greater than it is in the waters of the countries which do insist upon wireless.

ADVERSARIA.

Death is a solemn thing, or used to be, and of course we would not be flippant about any fellow creature's death. But our Shanghai correspondent's telegram yesterday really screams for comment. We don't object to paying the telegraphic rates, high as they are, on an occasional redundancy; but we must certainly protest when the redundancy is ridiculous. A Chinese fell from a high building in Shanghai and was killed. Our correspondent, regardless of expense and regardless of all sense of proportion or the meaning of words, instead of saying so simply, and leaving us to appraise the awfulness of the incident, wired that an awful tragedy was witnessed in broad daylight! etc. How else could it have been witnessed? In the "narrow dark," which must be the antithesis of broad daylight, no one would have seen it. A phrase like "awful tragedy" should be reserved for something more wholesale and catastrophic—and even then it should not be included in a telegram. We suppose the young man must have seen the thing himself, and sent off the wire while still shocked.

A North China paper says that "a great many people locally will await with anxiety further news of Admiral Koltchak." Down here we are not losing any sleep over him. He is a Russian, isn't he? It seems that some other Russians have got him. None of our business.

"We have known a VAIN EXCUSES." newspaperman to excuse a rotten composition by pleading insufficient time, and we have smiled and said nothing. When a pukka newspaper man sends in, late, twelve pages of manuscript written on both sides of the paper, and bum manuscript at that, we regard his excuse that he is in bed with a feverish cold quite unsympathetically. In fact, so far as

we are concerned, he may stay in bed and be comfortable.

A NEW PAPER, be as prolific in new publications as Trotski's mother is in pups. The latest is called "The Pearl of the Orient," and we look upon it with prodigious respect, because in Number One of Volume One it announces that it has subscribers in all cities of the Philippines, Hongkong, Canton, Peking, Foochow, Harbin, Tokyo, Java, India, Singapore, Honolulu, Vancouver, B.C., and all big cities of the United States." The agent in Hongkong is our friend Mr. Vicente Espina, agent here for the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association. The first number has a charming cartoon, representing Justice as a female figure with the sword of Law and holding the scales level between Occident and Orient. The Occident is represented as a lion. At least, we adjudge it a lion, though our youngest reporter (the one who does all the art criticisms) maintains it is a Chow puppy. There is bitter strife in the *China Mail* office over the pictured animal representing the Orient. The Editor says it is a lamb, but he admits himself that he is influenced by the idea of the "lion and the lamb" in Holy Writ. The Adversarialist says it is a goat, and wants to bet all his Bridge winnings that he is right. The Gossip thinks it is a ram. Keith West hasn't seen it yet. The Office Boy (who keeps them) assures us it is a guinea pig. The Business Manager said it was a canary, and told us all to get on with our work and not waste so much time. In this column, having the last word, we vote for the goat hypothesis. Hasn't the Orient, in the slangy sense, hitherto been the goat?

Here, from the same ORIENTAL interesting publication TRIPLE—*it is to appear once ALLIANCE*, a fortnight—is an editorial introduction to an interesting article. "Mr. Espina, the representative of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association in Hongkong and a young man who has been accused by the *China Mail* as a Hongkong resident who can write poetry as good as any of Rabindranath Tagore, a recent London Lion, has turned his pen to prose advocating a Triple-Alliance between Japan, China and the Philippines. He has written this article especially for the readers of "The Pearl of the Orient." The article urges the Chinese, Japanese, and Filipinos to form a *Dreibund* in the interests of education, commerce, agriculture, and natural resources—not for the dirty and inhuman purpose of making wars according to the European style and tradition."

The following warships have been appointed to the China station:—"Colombo" (light cruiser), "Bluebell," "Foxglove," "Hollyhock," "Magnolia" (sloops), "Cicilia," "Cockchafer," "Cricket," "Mantis," "Moth" (gunboats). The vessels are due to arrive at Singapore about April 20 and Hongkong about 15 May.

The *Shanghai Daily News* of Jan. 23 said:—"Mr. G. H. Stitt, who will have charge of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in the absence of Mr. Stephen, arrived here yesterday on the str. "Kumano Maru" from Japan, accompanied by Mrs. Stitt, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen leave for England on April 10, on the R.M.S. "Empress of Asia," and will probably not return to Shanghai this year. It is nine years since Mr. Stephen went home on leave.

The mistress of a cargo boat appeared before Captain Basil Taylor this morning charged with mooring at the Waterloo Road Pier, thus causing an obstruction. It appears that defendant tried to force a passage with her junk and in doing so drove a launch belonging to the Steam Laundry Co., against the pier, damaging it to the extent of \$67.70. On the defendant promising to pay this damage His Worship discharged her with a caution.

The afternoon party which took place on Tuesday, at the home of Mrs. Basil Taylor, The Peak, was a pleasant revelation of local talents. Mrs. Taylor wished to gather around her all those who so obligingly had given their services last December for the cause of the devastated villages of France. The programme of the entertainment included piano solos by Miss Aves from Kowloon, a niece of Prof. Danenberg and Miss Osmond, two songs by Miss Soares, solos by the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn and Mr. Rosser, and the reading of one act of Major F. Bowes's tragedy: "Joan of Arc, with musical accompaniment by Lt. Col. R. M. Crosse. So successful was this first presentation of an ever impressive story that we hope the whole play will be heard, some day by the general public in Hongkong. Lt. Col. R. M. Crosse has also a funny string to his lyre, for his domestic songs: "To a Kitchen Maid, To a Housemaid To, a Parlour Maid" excited the general hilarity. The Masters Rollitt and Collett sang 3 of Stevenson's children's poems set to music by Temple Bevan. The evening ended at 7 o'clock with a short play: "Mrs. Hilary regrets" in which Major Bowes demonstrated that it takes a real Irishman to play an Irishman's part with the brogue and the vivacity becoming to him. Mrs. H. Davies formed a charming contrast. The programme will be repeated at Mrs. Taylor's home for other friends, to-day among whom are many members of the French colony.

SANITARY BOARD.

The Sanitary Board met yesterday. Dr. A. Gibson presiding, and there being present Mrs. Hickling (acting M. O. H.), Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Dr. V. M. Koch, Captain Monteith, Messrs. S. W. Tao, Chou Shousen, C. M. W. Reynolds (Secretary). Mr. Chou Shousen was appointed to the vacancies on Committee caused by the death of Mr. Chan Kai Ming. An amendment to the bylaws so as to make yellow fever and paratyphoid fever notifiable was made. Other business was of a formal nature.

HONGKONG AND AVIATION.**CLUB TO BE FORMED.**

The Chamber of Commerce organised a meeting at the City Hall last evening, addresses being given by members of the American Aeroflot Commission and by Sir Arthur W. Brown. The result was that a proposal to form an aviation club was enthusiastically agreed to.

To-day's dollar is worth 5s. 6d.

The stranded steamer "China" had over three million ounces of silver aboard.

The annual general meeting of the Kowloon Land and Building Co., will be held at noon to-morrow.

"Cash Booking Only" has been ordered for the Boxing Association's Third Tournament. This is at the request of Messrs. Moutrie, who have the booking arrangements in hand.

H.E. the Governor has consented to preside at the prize giving at the Bellairs Public School on Tuesday February 10, 1920 when the prizes will be presented by Lady Rees Davis.

Mr. J. Blake Hedges, a consulting engineer and surveyor from Nara, Japan, is in town. He wouldn't tell the *China Mail* what his business was, but we guess by his cheerfulness that it is good.

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HONGKONG AND AVIATION

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Major Glidden spoke of the work of the Commission and its wonderful reception in Japan, Korea, China, the Philippines, Macao and this Colony. Oriental, the goddess of Oriental Progress, he said, waved her wand from the highest peak in the Himalayas all over Asia and says: "Can you not discern the signs of the times?" He read highly complimentary messages from statesmen and others and concluded by asking: "What message has Britain's great colony in the Orient, Hongkong, to send around the world to assist in the advancement of aviation?"

FROM HONGKONG TO LONDON.

Sir Arthur Whitten Brown said that, after listening to the Commission for all round the world Derby, he was sure he felt that the next best thing to do would be to rush off and start the air service right away and take a passage to London in five days. Certainly the time was coming when that could be done. He was as enthusiastic as possible, but where transport was concerned he did not think that it was a thing to be rushed. They could start a line. Transport lines would be started, but only where there was a sufficient volume of traffic to show a return on the enormous capital which must be invested. Now, to run a line from Hongkong to London, the intended capital to carry on an aerial service would not be less than about £2,000,000 to £2,500,000, and to show a return on that capital the passage charged per passenger would be approximately from £150 to £200. Mails would be carried at from 6d. to 9d. an ounce. The machines to carry on such a service would have to take a minimum load of 15 tons. That was as far as a small airship was concerned, but the airships would be larger in the future. Would there be 15 tons passengers a week to be carried between Hongkong and London? If there were, then such a service would be carried on. If there were not, then there was no hope whatever of having such a service. At the present moment Great Britain had aeroplanes for short distance and high speed work and dirigibles for long distance and moderate speed work. During the last great railway strike dirigibles were used for the carrying of mails and aeroplanes for passengers. Here in Hongkong they had practically no ground available for an aerodrome, and in the New Territories it would be an expensive business to provide an aerodrome suitable for big machines. One of the speakers had just told them that a 1,500 foot run would be needed for a large machine. He knew of a big Handley-Page machine which had to struggle along for half a mile before it got going. With a smaller machine 500 to 600 feet of a clear run was absolutely necessary—and more than that, if possible, to allow opportunities for pulling, etc. So that here they would be confined to the flying boat. They were constructing now for the Government two large machines of 5,000 horsepower and 240 feet span which would not require a landing ground but merely a tower standing at a height sufficient for an airship to swing round and get clear of any building. That would suffice as a landing stage. For landing purposes a special pier could be erected near the town, whereas for aeroplanes an aerodrome would have to be built some distance away from town. Of course a floating boat must go near the wharf, so that whilst there was the greatest possible future for air transport and whilst air transport showed great advantages over every other means of transport, he asked them to exercise caution in approaching the subject. They must remember that it was always a question whether any line instituted was going to have the necessary number of passengers after the pleasure-seekers had finished with it. The idea of a race round the world was excellent, but unfortunately—if he might criticise it—it had been made a race for individuals with abundance of money, and the prize mentioned, G. \$50,000 would not cover the expense of carrying out that flight. The race would have to be won by someone who was in a position to spend more money than the prize or one who had financial backing. If a man had £100,000 at his disposal he could start in two minutes with a dirigible which could be constructed in England and which would cover the world with not more than three stops. If it were not for the expense he would like to compete himself. (Applause.)

AVIATION CLUB IN HONGKONG.

The Chairman then said:—We have all listened with deep interest to the instructive words spoken by the commission and Sir Arthur Brown, and on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce I would like to express our thanks to them for addressing us to night. I think however that our thanks should take a more concrete form—a form more likely to appeal to them in that they will feel that their efforts have been rewarded. Whatever views you held before this meeting, I feel sure now that you are convinced we ought to take some practical step, as it were, to place ourselves on the map aeronautically, and I am consequently going to propose a resolution committing us to the opinion that an aviation

club should be formed as soon as possible in the Colony. (Applause.)

—The Chamber of Commerce can, of course, do a great deal towards the encouragement of aviation, but I am sure that somebody with practical experience in flying on the Committee would be able to co-operate with the Chamber of Commerce, giving advice and assistance and also co-operate with the Government in any aerial transport question which affected the interests of the Colony. I therefore, beg to propose—

"That in the opinion of this Meeting an Aviation Club be formed in Hongkong having for its object the encouragement and expansion of commercial aviation in general and its application to this port in particular." (Applause.)

The Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Farr, in seconding, said:—I quite agree with the remarks our Chairman has made and our thanks are due to the gentlemen who so kindly came here to-night to speak on this most interesting subject of aeronautics, which, I think, has vast possibilities in the future. Nothing has been said about the possibilities of opening up China and helping her by aeronautics. I believe it is one of those things that will help China to open up, not only for her own benefit but for the benefit of the world, and the results must be far-reaching. (Applause.)

The resolution was carried unanimously.

FUNERAL.

THE LATE MR. A. W. P. SPIERS.

The funeral of the late Mr. A. W. P. Spiers of Messrs. Davis and Company, whose death from pneumonia occurred at the Government Civil Hospital on Monday night, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, last evening.

The Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle performed the burial service at the grave-side.

Among those present to pay their last respects to the deceased, were: Mr. G. H. N. Bannerman (chief mourner), and Messrs. H. B. Bridger, D. J. Souza, F. Petley, W. Stewart, U. Sorby, J. Stewart, P. Taylor, J. McTavish, Hamilton, C. Strafford, W. Fleming, S. Baker, R. H. Beavan, M. Manuk and many others.

Floral tributes were sent by the following:—"The Sorrowing Wife," "Mother," "Aunt Lucie," "Sister Dido," "Sister Gladys," "Uncle Arthur" and "Aun Mabel," Mr. and Mrs. G. H. N. Bannerman, Messrs. Shawan, Tomes & Co. (Staff Machinery Dept.), Messrs. Shawan, Tomes & Co., Messrs. Davis & Co. (Comprador's Staff), Messrs. Davis & Co., Mrs. P. M. Davis, Hongkong Electric Co., Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hollands, Mr. and Mrs. Walter, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. W. Eraser, Mr. F. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. U. Sorby, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. H. L. Smith, Mr. and Miss M. Manuk, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Douglas, and Messrs. H. Handley, E. B. Lambert, W. I. J. Souza, S. Baker, A. S. Graeme, L. C. Parker-Rees, C. R. Powrie, Chee Lai-Hing and Mr. and Mrs. B. Budge and others without cards.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(By arrangement with Wah Tsz Yat Po.)

SHANGHAI, Feb. 3. The Minister of Finance will issue new coins bearing President Chu Sui Cheung's effigy.

The funeral of the late President Fung Kwoi Cheung took place yesterday. There was a grand procession which attracted considerable attention. The flag at the foreign legations at Peking was half-masted.

The Chinese chargé d'affaires in Tokyo has tendered his resignation to the Peking Government. He says his mother is ill.

The Cabinet is going to engage more foreigners to act as advisers. Mr. Wong of the Foreign relations committee has announced that the best reply to Japan regarding the Shantung question would be thus:—If the negotiation is to be based on the German treaty there should not be any negotiation as China is not a party to the treaty. If the German treaty is to be set aside, then we could discuss the matter freely and under no obligation.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs asked the Bank Group to advance \$9,000,000 of the \$25,000,000 loan within the next fortnight. The Banks' representative replied that they were unable to comply.

President Chu Sui Cheung asks Li Shun, the Nanking Tuchun, to advise Dr. Wong Ching Ting to proceed to Peking in order that the Shantung dispute may be settled with his assistance.

Li Shu Ho the Minister of Finance is negotiating small loans with both the Chinese and foreign bank at high interest. It is reported that he succeeded in getting the necessary money to tide over the New Year difficulties.

"WALLA WALLA" beds are now and have been at Hock Fook Pte.

SPECIAL CABLES.

THE STRAITS DOLLAR.

NEW GOVERNOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

[CHINA MAIL SPECIAL.]

SINGAPORE, Feb. 3.

The new governor, accompanied by Lady Guilleard, arrived this morning aboard the "Kashmir." He was ceremonially received. Replying to addresses of welcome, Sir L. N. Guilleard gave the assurance that there was no intention by the government to raise the value of the Straits dollar. He also said the immediate danger of another rice shortage was past.

WHERE WERE THESE FROM?

[China Mail SPECIAL]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 2. Eight hundred German repatriates sailed aboard the "Hudson Maru" yesterday bound for Rotterdam. The majority fought at Tsingtao. The dock presented an animated scene, as the uniforms worn were of a multifarious character. Another batch of repatriates, comprising the married men and their wives, follow later on another ship.

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Between Young Maher, ex-Driver, R.G.A. (Holder) And Sergt. Ward R.N.Y.P. (Challenger).

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COTTON AND YARN.

Messrs. Polishwalla and Kotwall report on Feb. 4:

Since our last report on the 11th Ult. by Str. "Dunera," during the first part of the interval our yarn market had remained quiet with a further decline of \$1 to 4 per bale but latterly a good inquiry in 10s and 12s superlor grades improved the rates in these two counts and business has passed in 4000 bales at an advance of \$2 to 4 per bale.

Demand in 20s yarn had been insignificant during the whole interval.

In view of the recent more serious news of Mills and Docks Hands Strike in Bombay together with sudden fall in rupee exchange, foreign holders are demanding higher prices and are a sharp firm.

Total Sales 4,000 bales.

Unsold Stocks 8,000 bales.

Uncleared 16,000 bales.

Arrivals—From Bombay 10,000 bales.

Shanghai reports a general improvement with moderate business passing.

Japanese yarn—Imports have entirely stopped and following are the latest quotations:

Bales Nagasaki No. 20s at \$32.00. Bales 3 Horses No. 16s at \$32.3. Bales No. 20s at \$34.6, Bales Yellow Joss No. 20s at \$34.7, Setsu No. 10s \$24.3, Setsu No. 20s at \$35.2, Kue Fish No. 20s at \$34.8.

Raw cotton—No stock.

Nominal quotations, Bengal \$15 to 50.

Chinese \$45 to 55 per picul.

REJUVENATION.

Replying to the question "Can an old man be made young again by grafting into him some of the organs of young monkey?" Dr. Josiah Oldfield, of the Lady Margaret Hospital, Bromley, Kent, said to a representative of the "Mancheser Guardian": "Within certain limitations I think it would be quite possible. Take an old crabtree and cut it down to the main stem, and then graft on to this old stem scions from a young apple tree, and in a few years you will have a fine head of vigorous young growth. The old tree starts a new activity again, and, within limits, by constantly renewing with young scions a tree may attain immortality."

Following a similar line of argument (asked the Press representative), and with the necessary variations between, vegetable cell vitality and the cell vitality of highly organised human beings, may we not make a human individual almost immortal by grafting into him at recurring intervals some organs from a youth of the human or primate group of animals?—Theoretically "Yes," but practically I think "No," excepting under very rare circumstances.

Why not?—An old man has no young trunk to graft upon. He begins to age in his central organs of nutrition, and with an old stomach and an old liver I can see no rational ground for believing that the implanting of a young organ will have a real permanent effect upon his vitality or can rejuvenate him. My own contributions towards the discovery of prolonging life lie in attempting to discover the most suitable organic acids which will prevent deposit of waste matter in the lumen of the blood vessels and within the cell envelope of the absorptive cells of the alimentary canal—or redissolve waste matter already deposited.

To-day's return of communicable disease shows a case of enteric fever.

A Favorite of No. 9 Beaconsfield Arcade has just received a consignment of hats suitable for the Races. Inspection is invited.

Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., has consented to distribute the prizes at St. Paul's College annual prize distribution on Thursday, Feb. 12.

The tournament which was to have been held by the Ladies' Recreation Club last Saturday had to be postponed owing to bad weather and has been fixed for February 28.

COMING IN AUGUST.

Mr. N. Ticester MacKintosh, Registrar of the Hongkong University, received the following cable from Sir Charles Addis, chairman of the University Committee in London, this morning, with regard to the appointment of the new Vice Chancellor of the Hongkong University: "Ross accepts the appointment, and hopes it would be satisfactory to you if he arrives in August, as he is committed to his present appointment until the end of the session. It is very difficult on both official and personal grounds, for him to get away sooner."

Sir Edward Denison Ross, C.I.E., (1912), P.H.D., M.R.A.S., E.A.S.B., who is a cousin of Mr. Ross, our Post-Master-General, has since 1914, been assistant director of the Prints and Drawing Department of the British Museum and is at present also Director of the School of Oriental studies in London.

Sir Edward was born in 1871, and became a professor of Persian in the University College, London, in 1896, and held that post until 1901.

He is a great traveller, and has covered the whole of Russia, Asia Minor and Persia. Sir Edward is married, but has no children. Lady Ross has a great reputation as a celebrated amateur pianiste, and is sure to receive a great welcome when she will undoubtedly take a very prominent part in the musical life of this Colony.

Dr. Jordan will continue to act as Pro Vice-Chancellor of the University until the arrival of Sir. Edward, when he will hand duties to the new Vice Chancellor, who, it is hoped, will be here in time for the opening of the new session in September.

OBITUARY.

We regret to record the death of Miss Goggin, which took place at Victoria Hospital on Saturday morning from cerebro-spinal meningitis. Miss Goggin was a sister of Mr. W. G. Goggin, sub-manager of the Bank Line of steamers.

DEPARTURES.

The ss. SIAM MARU, (Capt. Imamura) sailed for Bombay via Singapore at 4 p.m. to-day with 1,700 tons of general cargo.

The ss. TATONSEI, (Capt. Lewis) sailed for Saigon at 1 p.m. to-day with 700 tons of general cargo.

The ss. SHIZUOKA MARU, (Capt. Asakawa) sailed for Yokohama via Shanghai at 11 a.m. to-day with 1,000 tons of general cargo.

ARRIVALS.

February 4.

The ss. THIJIWONG, Dutch 3,052 tons from Java, Capt. P. Hopman, at 4 p.m. to-day with 1,700 tons of general cargo.

The ss. QUINNEBAUG, Amer. 607 tons, from Swatow, Capt. J. Medina, D.L. & Co., Wharf.

The ss. HOYSUNG, Brit. 1,424 tons, from Shan-tai, Capt. W. P. Baker, J.M. & Co., West Point Wharf.

The ss. HSIN PING AN, Chi. 916 tons, from Duuren, Capt. Novik, Kwong Chow Tai Co.

The ss. EASTERN, Brit. 2,272 tons, from Australia, Capt. Smith, Mc. Mc. & Co., K. Wharf.

CLEARANCES.

February 4.

The ss. SINKIANG, (Brit.), cleared to-day and will sail for Shanghai at noon to-morrow.

The ss. SINGKOKA, (Brit.), cleared to-day and will sail for Bombay via Singapore at noon to-morrow.

The ss. ST. ALBANS, (Brit.), cleared to-day and will sail for Melbourne via Manila at 4 p.m. to-morrow.

DEPARTURES.

The ss. YOUNG SHING, (Chi.), Capt. C. C. Uddin, Agent, Kwong Hing & Co., left for Bothnia to-day.

The ss. SIN LEE, (Chi.), Capt. Most. Ag. in Yee Tai Hong, left for Chefoo to-day.

The ss. CHE-CHI-LIP, (Chi.), Capt. Axum, Agents Yee Tai Hong, left for Dairen to-day.

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders of the Union Waterboat Company, Limited, at the fifteenth ordinary annual meeting to be held at the Company's Office, on Monday, February 9, 1920, at 11 a.m.

Consulting Committee—S. H. Dodwell, Esq., Chairman, J. W. Bonnar, Esq., G. Otten, Esq., S. Yasuda, Esq., W. Adamson, Esq., A. E. Crapnell, Esq.

The general managers have now the pleasure to submit their annual report and statement of the Company's accounts made up to December 31, 1919.

The net profits for the year ended December 31, 1919, after allowing for consulting committee and auditors' fees, and including \$7,943.08 brought forward from last account amount to \$62,438.75.

The general managers recommend the payment of a dividend of \$1 per share, which will absorb \$34,653.75, write off \$13,000.00 from the value of the Waterboats, \$2,400.00 from the value of the steam launch "Diana," \$500.00 from the value of pipes and staging, \$1,896.00 off investments and carry forward a balance of \$9,989.00 to the new account.

Consulting Committee—Since the last meeting Messrs. A. O Lang and J. Jonckheer have resigned and Messrs. J. W. Bonnar and G. Otten have joined the Committee.

Auditor—The accounts under review have been audited by Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 27, 1920.

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1919.

SHARE CAPITAL.—
AUTORISED—50,000 shares of \$10 each \$ 500,000

ISSUED—27,723 shares of \$10 each fully paid \$277,230.00

Less return of capital of \$3 per share 83,169.00

..... \$194,061.00

Sundry Creditors 9,699.10

Unclaimed Dividend 3,182.62

Special Repairs as per last account 635.00

Add amount placed to credit from last year's profit 9,000.00

..... 20,956.18

Insurance Fund 19,600.00

Profit and Loss Account Balance brought forward from last year \$ 7,943.08

Add Profit for current year 54,495.57

..... 62,438.75

..... \$10,573.65

ASSETS.

Waterboats as per last account \$ 111,399.92

Less amount written off 10,000.00

..... \$ 101,399.92

New Waterboat amount paid to Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., on account 22,000.00

..... \$ 123,399.92

Pipes and Staging as per last account 5,400.00

Less amount written off 500.00

..... 4,900.00

Steam Launch "Diana" net cost 16,400.00

Furniture 248.00

Stock of Hose, etc. 1,505.55

Sundry Debtors 6,303.52

Payments in advance 657.94

Shares and Debentures as per last account 81,811.00

(Market value as at 31st December, 1919.) \$79,945.00

Hongkong Government 6 per cent. War Loan, 1916 30,000.00

Hongkong Bank Fixed Deposit 500.00

Cash in Bank and in Hand 15,000.00

..... 29,782.72

..... \$ 310,573.65

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1919.

DEBIT.

To Consulting Committee's Fees \$ 500.00

To Auditor's Fee 200.00

To Balance, as per Balance Sheet 54,495.67

..... \$ 55,195.67

CREDIT.

By Interest \$ 3,247.13

By Dividends on Shares 4,866.52

By Transfer Fees 56.00

By Profit on Trading for the year 47,026.02

..... \$ 55,195.67

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.

I report that I have audited the above balance sheet with the books and vouchers of the Company in Hongkong and that in my opinion such balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs at the 31st December, 1919, according to the best of my information and the explanations given and as shown by the books of the Company. I have obtained all the information and explanations I have required.

C. BERNARD BROWN, A.C.A.,
Auditor.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1920.

TRAINING TIMES

A number of ponies were galloped this morning, some good times being recorded. The clockings follow:

Salamander—40; 1.20; 1.57; 2.30.

Brutus—41.3/5; 1.15.4/5; 1.47.1/5; 2.23.

Cadzow's Tarn—45.2/5; 1.11; 1.42.4/5.

Farmer and King Bruce—39; 1.15; 1.49; 2.21.3/5.

Pink Eye—38; 1.12; 1.45; 2.17.4/5.</

A NEW RIGHT TO WORK.

WORKING DAUGHTERS OF THE NEW POOR.

(BY MRS. HUGH ADAMS.)

Although we hear a great deal that excites our sympathies concerning the hardships that confront the New Poor, one cannot help feeling that difficult as it undoubtedly is for the elder generation of the once well-to-do to readjust their whole mode of existence to meet the exigencies of their after-the-war status, their daughters probably take an entirely different view of their altered circumstances.

For the new state of affairs brings them the much-longed-for emancipation and right to work—the lack of which has spoilt the winter of discontent for so many so-called well-to-do girls and women in the past, who have been forced to live of trivial idleness simply because it has not been "the thing" for them to earn their own living.

ENFORCED IDLENESS.

Not only were women of this class denied the education that would have given them a career and provided that mental or physical occupation that so many have craved for, but they were also deprived of the opportunity of ever being able to earn a livelihood, no matter what their circumstances in later life.

Even up to the present, wives and daughters of hard-pressed professional men have been forced to spend idle, unsatisfactory lives in obedience to the social fetish that it would be indecent for them to take up money-making occupations.

How hungry women of this particular class have been for "real" work was amply demonstrated by the rush made by women of all ages at the first call of the war.

Gladly they took up every and any kind of occupation—even though it entailed such duties as the washing of dishes and the adding up of accounts—occupations which have been regarded as the two traditional bugbears of woman's life from time immemorial. For although enthusiasm to do their bit actuated a great many, still the relief of finding some outlet from their purposeless lives was undoubtedly the attraction to a great majority who were only too thankful of the "sanction of Society" to take up definite employment.

FINDING THEIR NICHE.

Now that the once well-to-do come under the recognised heading of the New Poor, the stigma attached to women becoming money makers like their brothers and husbands is removed. In these days, when everyone talks openly of their poverty, and wives and daughters of the upper middle classes boast that the value of their sovereign or Bradbury is not worth anything like as much as that of the lower classes—nobody attempts to make any bones about turning their talents to any commercial enterprise that will help swell the family budget.

Women who are well-to-do are openly refusing to return to the idle and confined existence that was their portion before the war, and are taking their place in the labour market, openly vying with one another in finding their niche in the new world whose watch-word is work.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

HONGKONG, 4th FEBRUARY, 1920.

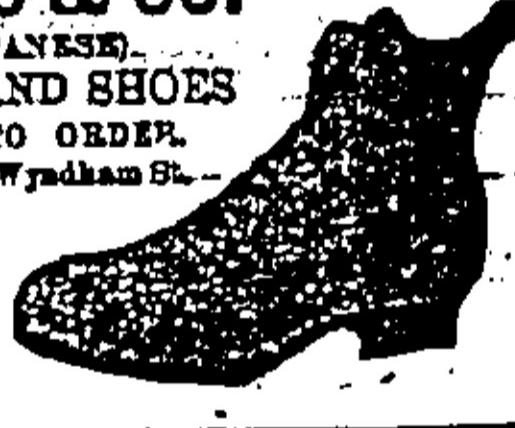
OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

11 A.M.

Sterling Exchange 5/6 T.T.
Hongkong Banks \$335 s.
Market Insurance
Canton Ins. 1350 b.
North China Ins. 1360 n.
Union Ins. 1350 s.
Wing Ins. 1350 n.
Far Eastern 1322 n.
Fire Insurance
China Fire Ins. 138 s.
Hongkong Fire Ins. 310 s.
Surrey
Doulglas 89 s.
H.K. Steamboats 204 b. 22 s.
Indo-China (Prod.) 930 n.
D. (Prod.) 210 s.
Shell Transport 270 s.
Star Ferries 129 s.
Riviera
China Sugars 1301 n.
Malabar Sugars 47 s.
Metals
Kilian Mining Adm. 140 s.
Langkawi T. 14 n.
Shanhai Loco. &c. 130 s.
Steel Explorations 81 s.
Rangoon 428 s.
Tromch Mines 207 n.
Ural Carpiana 207 n.
Doors, Windows, Godowns, &c.
H. & K. Wharf 887 b.
H. & W. Dock 1425 b. 150 s.
Steel Docks 810 n.
New Engineering 828 s.
Lands, Farms & Businesses
Central Estate 108 s.
Hongkong Hotels 116 s.
Hongkong Lands 1054 s.
Humphreys 71 s.
Kowloon Lands 810 s.
Land Reclamation 132 n.
West Points 358 s.
Cotton Mills
Two Cottons 480 n.
Kung Yili 16 n.
Lung Kung Mills 300 n.
Orientals 299 n.
Shanghai Cottons 318 n.
Yangtzeopos 334 n.
Miscellaneous
Cements 101 n.
China-Borneo 117 b.
China Lights Old \$7 s. & New 85 b.
China-Prudential 870 b.
Dairy Farms 820 b. 22 s.
H.K. Electric 137 n.
Macao, Do. 834 n.
Hongkong Rover 837 s.
H.K. Tramways 173 s.
Peak Tramways (Old) 87 s.
do. (New) 820 n.
Steam Laundry 23 s.
H.K.-Steel Foundry 810 n.
Water-boats 811 b.
Watsons 851 n.
Wm. Powells 812 b.
Wiemanns 827 s.

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| 30" x 24" | ... 30.00 | ... 4.00 | ... 30.00 | ... 4.00 |
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Hongkong, February 4, 1920.

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Credit 4 months' sight 1350.

On New York.

On demand 27 s.

Credit 60 days' sight 27 s.

On Bombay.

On demand 2081 n.

On Madras.

On Calcutta.

Wire 2081 n.

On Galle.

On Colombo.

On demand 237.

On Manila.

On Shanghai.

On demand 203.

On Yokohama.

On demand 201.

Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) 33.50.

Silver (London's buying rate) \$3.50 n.

Silver (Per tael) 33.50.

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WEATHER REPORT.

POST OFFICE.

February 4d-12a. Sun.—No weather map will be issued to day owing to lack of telegraphic returns. Pressure has slightly at stations reporting.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.10 inches, against an average of 1.71 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on January 3rd, 1920.

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. None.
2.—Formosa Channel. The same as 1.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau. None.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. None.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY,
HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER
REPORT.

FEBRUARY 4, 1920.—A.M.

| Station. | Hour: | Barometer | Wind. | Humidity. | Temperature. | Wind. |
|--------------|-------|---------------|--------|---------------|---------------|----------|
| | | at Sea Level. | Force. | at Sea Level. | at Sea Level. | Weather. |
| Vladivostock | 8 a. | - | - | - | - | - |
| Nemuro | 9 a. | - | - | - | - | - |
| Hakodate | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Tokio | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Kochi | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Nagasaki | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Kyoto | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Okinawa | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Naha | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Fah-jima | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Bon Island | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Weihaiwei | 6 a. | - | - | - | - | - |
| Hankow | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Chang | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Kukkiang | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Changsha | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Shanghai | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Guttsal | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sharp Pk. | 7 a. | 30.08 | 45 | 55 | — | — |
| Amoy | 6 a. | 30.11 | 52 | 79 | — | — |
| Swatow | - | 30.09 | 54 | 74 | E | — |
| Ikihoku | 5 a. | 30.09 | 56 | 65 | E | — |
| Laichu | - | 30.08 | 59 | 62 | E | — |
| Tai | - | 30.04 | 59 | 61 | E | — |
| Kochia | - | 30.02 | 68 | 61 | E | — |
| Pasco | - | 30.07 | 57 | 62 | E | — |
| Canton | 9 a. | 30.18 | 49 | 78 | N | — |
| Hongkong | - | 30.04 | 57 | 67 | E | — |
| Gap Rock | - | 30.01 | 57 | 67 | E | — |
| Kaco | - | 30.90 | 59 | 67 | NW | 4° of |
| Wuchow | 9 a. | - | - | - | - | - |
| Pakhoi | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Hoifoo | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Phulien | 7 a. | 26.98 | 59 | 96 | NN | 2° |
| Lourans | - | 25.92 | 66 | 94 | NN | 4° |
| C.S.James | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Apari | 8 a. | 23.94 | 72 | 96 | — | 0° b |
| Dagupan | - | 23.57 | 70 | 96 | NN | 2° |
| Manila | - | 23.92 | 66 | 90 | E | 1° |
| Legazpi | - | 19.81 | 77 | 79 | NN | 4° o |
| Malab | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Uolo | - | 26.86 | 75 | 91 | N | 2° o |
| Sarigao | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Guan | - | 4.5 | - | - | - | - |
| Labuan | 6 a. | 29.76 | 80 | 91 | SW | 4° b |

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Feb. 4, 1920.
1. BAROMETER reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.

3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.

5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.

6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast passing showers, q squal, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility w dew, w wet.

7. RAIN in inches tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1909-8.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide, subtract the Victoria Nautical Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the same add Lamont's check, Aberdeen, add 1 foot 4 inches, when height given in the table.

February 5 to 11, 1920.

| | High Water | Low Water |
|------|-------------|-----------|
| Time | Height | Hours |
| Mean | Mean | Mean |
| Max. | 1 m 15 s. | 1 m 15 s. |
| Mid. | 10 m 15 s. | 7.5 |
| Mid. | 10 m 15 s. | 7.5 |
| Mid. | 11 m 15 s. | 7.1 |
| Mid. | 10 m 15 s. | 5.0 |
| Mid. | 9 m 15 s. | 3.2 |
| Mid. | 8 m 15 s. | 2.7 |
| Mid. | 7 m 15 s. | 2.2 |
| Mid. | 6 m 15 s. | 1.7 |
| Mid. | 5 m 15 s. | 1.2 |
| Mid. | 4 m 15 s. | 0.7 |
| Mid. | 3 m 15 s. | 0.2 |
| Mid. | 2 m 15 s. | -0.3 |
| Mid. | 1 m 15 s. | -1.8 |
| Mid. | 0 m 15 s. | -2.3 |
| Mid. | -1 m 15 s. | -2.8 |
| Mid. | -2 m 15 s. | -3.3 |
| Mid. | -3 m 15 s. | -3.8 |
| Mid. | -4 m 15 s. | -4.3 |
| Mid. | -5 m 15 s. | -4.8 |
| Mid. | -6 m 15 s. | -5.3 |
| Mid. | -7 m 15 s. | -5.8 |
| Mid. | -8 m 15 s. | -6.3 |
| Mid. | -9 m 15 s. | -6.8 |
| Mid. | -10 m 15 s. | -7.3 |
| Mid. | -11 m 15 s. | -7.8 |
| Mid. | -12 m 15 s. | -8.3 |
| Mid. | -13 m 15 s. | -8.8 |
| Mid. | -14 m 15 s. | -9.3 |
| Mid. | -15 m 15 s. | -9.8 |
| Mid. | -16 m 15 s. | -10.3 |
| Mid. | -17 m 15 s. | -10.8 |
| Mid. | -18 m 15 s. | -11.3 |
| Mid. | -19 m 15 s. | -11.8 |
| Mid. | -20 m 15 s. | -12.3 |
| Mid. | -21 m 15 s. | -12.8 |
| Mid. | -22 m 15 s. | -13.3 |
| Mid. | -23 m 15 s. | -13.8 |
| Mid. | -24 m 15 s. | -14.3 |

TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATION WITH GAO ROCK LIGHTHOUSE IS INTERRUPTED.

The insured parcel post service to the Province of Szechuan is suspended until further notice.

An agreement has been entered into between the Post Offices of China and Hongkong for the exchange of insured letters. The medium of insurance is the French Currency and the maximum amount for which a letter may be insured is 300 francs.

A telegram has been received from the G.P.O. London stating that there are no restrictions on the importation of sugar by parcel post into the United Kingdom and that no parcels of sugar recently sent from Hongkong have been confiscated.

Attention is again directed to the necessity for more adequate packing of parcels addressed to the United Kingdom. All parcels insured and ordinary, to and from United Kingdom are now forwarded in bags and very careful packing is necessary to ensure safe transmission.

A direct exchange of Money Orders with the Republic of China has come into operation since the 1st January 1920.

The Money Order Service with the Philippine Islands has been resumed since the 1st Jan., 1920.

The parcel post service to Cuba is suspended.

It is notified that all restrictions as to the use of wireless Telegraphy by Merchant Vessels on the China Station have been abolished.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

No unofficial letter addressed to Abadan, Ahwaz or Mohammor in the Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in weight.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m. Registration closes at 5 o'clock on the previous evening.

INWARD MAIL.

WEDNESDAY, February 4.
Bombay—Per TOTOMI MARU.

Shanghai—Per ICHANG.

Japan—Per GREGORY APCAR.

Japan—Per TESENH MARU.

FRIDAY, February 6.

Bombay—Per SHINYO MARU.

Shanghai—Per HUICHOW.

SATURDAY, February 7.

Straits—Per BENLEYI.

MONDAY, February 8.

Japan & Shanghai—Per KAMO MARU.

Straits—Per TAKADA.

OUTWARD MAIL.

THURSDAY, February 5.

Macau—Per SUITAI, 8.15 a.m.

Swatow and Straits—Per LINAN,

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAI-

CHING, 11 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per SIN-

KIANG.

Straits—Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius,

*South Africa, L. Marques,

India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt

—Per GLENAY, 11 a.m.

Straits—Bankok, Ceylon, Mauritius,

South Africa, L. Marques, India via

Dhanushkodi, and Bombay—Per SONGAL,

11 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per KWAN-

TAI, Noon.

Port Bayard—Per WA SUN, 1 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Sandakan, Australia

and New Zealand via Thursday

Island—Per ST. ALBANS,

Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters